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SUBJECT: EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON SINDONA CASE

REFS: ROME 397 AND MILAN 46

1. RAIMI, BRANSILVER AND HOFFMAN WILL ARRIVE VIA SWISSAIR 612 AT 1935 ON JANUARY 20. REMAINDER OF PARTY ARRIVES VIA PAA FROM NEW YORK AT 1030 ON JANUARY 20 EXCEPT PEARLMAN WHO ARRIVES SAME FLIGHT JANUARY 21.

2. RAIMI, BRANSILVER AND HOFFMAN REQUEST ALL THEIR RESERVATIONS BE CANCELLED SINCE THEY HAVE SEPARATELY BOOKED INTO THE PALAZZO AMBASCIATORI AT ROME AND THE PRINCIPE E SAVOIA AT MILAN.

3. RESERVATIONS FOR ALL OTHERS AT MILAN SHOULD BE CHANGED TO BEGIN JANUARY 23 AND RUN THROUGH JANUARY 25 EXCEPT KRAUT WHO SHOULD RUN THROUGH JANUARY 31.

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5. GROUP WOULD LIKE ITS EMBASSY BRIEFING TO BEGIN AT 1030 JANUARY 21 WHICH WILL ALLOW FDIC REPRESENTATIVES TO HOLD BREAKFAST MEETING WITH THEIR LOCAL LAWYER.

6. SEC WOULD LIKE TO USE SERVICES OF STENOGRAPHER AND INTERPRETER AT MILAN BEGINNING AT 1000 ON JANUARY 29 IN THE CONSULATE. ALSO ASKS THAT TAPE OR CASSETTE RECORDING DEVICE BE AVAILABLE SO THAT THEY CAN DOUBLE-TRACK STENOGRAPHER WITH THEIR OWN RECORDING OF THE TESTIMONY WHICH THEY CAN BRING BACK TO WASHINGTON.

7. SEC INTERESTED IN ITALIAN INVESTMENT COMPANY COIL FINANCIARIA OF MILAN, GENERAL PARTNER OF WHICH IS ELSA RIGONI AND LIMITED PARTNER IS COIL FINANCIERE OF GENEVA. MANAGING DIRECTOR OF COIL GENEVA IS MARIO OLIVERO WHO IS EITHER DIRECTOR OR MANAGER OF BANK DE FINANCEMENT (FINABANK) WHICH HAS JUST BEEN CLOSED BY SWISS AUTHORITIES. SINDONA CONTROLLED FINABANK AND SEC IS INTERESTED IN POSSIBLE CONNECTION BETWEEN SINDONA AND COIL AND WILL DISCUSS WHEN IN ROME.

8. SEC WILL ALSO BE INTERESTED IN ANY INFORMATION ON BANCA COPPOLA OF MILAN WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN ACQUIRED BY ANOTHER COMPANY, POSSIBLY AN INSURANCE COMPANY, WITHIN THE PAST TWO YEARS. THIS IS IN CONNECTION WITH THE RONSON-LIQUIGAS INQUIRY. KISSINGER

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